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In re Application of Confirmation No.: 5195

Hiroshi NUNOKAWA Art Unit: 2821

S. N. 10/606,513 Examiner: D. K. Wong

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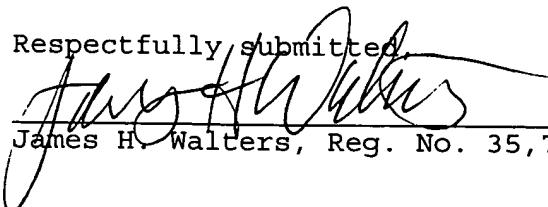
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A statement under 37 CFR 1.97(e) is enclosed here that the above were known no more than 3 months prior to the date of this document. These documents were supplied by a letter received by the undersigned May 10, 2004. That letter, dated May 5, 2004, from a Mr. David Welford, Ph.D., alleges that at an unspecified date, that at least one working laser system based on the prior art disclosures submitted with his letter (those documents cited herein) was manufactured and sold by Q-Peak, Inc., formerly Research Division of Schwartz Electro-Optics, Inc., and that work on continuous wave lasers using the same concept was carried out under a US government contract but was not published. The dates of these alleged events are unknown to applicant.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions. Thank you.

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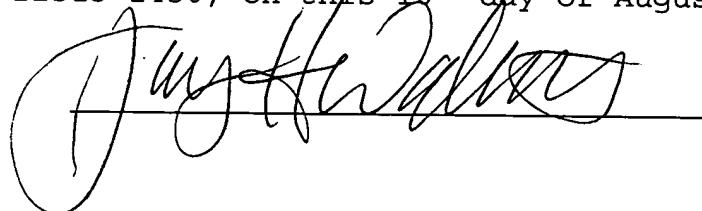


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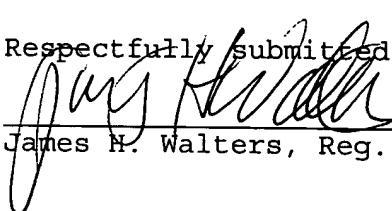
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For the non-English documents, the relevance is discussed in the specification at page 2, line 12 through page 4 line 27. With regard to Japanese un-examined patent publication no. 2001-244526 mentioned on page 3 of the specification, U.S. Patent 6,532,248 is the U.S. equivalent thereof, and is submitted instead.

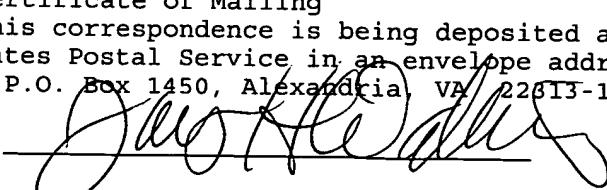
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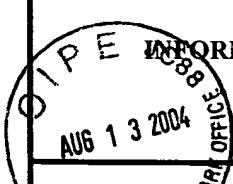

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	2-54588	2/23/1990	Japan				✓
	5-335662	12/17/1993	Japan				✓
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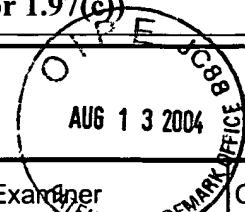
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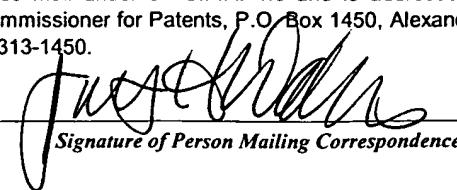
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